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On-line virtual shopping cart management system in e-commerce application, changes information about host merchant's item in virtual shopping cart dynamically, with respect to rival merchant's offer

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001780812 A 20010210

Patent Details:

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US 20020111873 A1 14 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): US 20020111873 A1

NOVELTY - A **shopping cart** manager creates and manages a virtual **shopping cart** containing information about an item offered by a host merchant. An extraction/verification module compares the offers of the host merchant and a rival merchant. A **counter offer** module dynamically changes item information in the **shopping cart** based on the comparison result, to reflect changes in the host merchant's offer.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) On-line virtual **shopping cart** management method; and
- (2) Computer program product for on-line virtual **shopping cart** management.

USE - For managing on-line virtual **shopping cart** in e-business, e-shopping or e-commerce applications through Internet.

ADVANTAGE - Allows host merchant to develop an optimal pricing and **counter offer** strategy against the rival merchant. Allows a shopper to perform comparison shopping on-line and to have control over the comparison shopping search.

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Title Terms: LINE; VIRTUAL; SHOPPING; CART; MANAGEMENT; SYSTEM; APPLY; CHANGE; INFORMATION; HOST; MERCHANT; ITEM; VIRTUAL; SHOPPING; CART; DYNAMIC; RESPECT; MERCHANT; OFFER

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI

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S12	1	S1 AND S2
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S14	294	S2 AND S3
S15	15	S13 AND S14
S16	2	S15 AND S4

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XRPX Acc No: N03-023679

Display device e.g. for billboards, has a composition, visible between anodic and cathodic electrodes, comprising compound that undergoes electron transfer reaction, indicator dye(s) and charge transport material

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AU 200227461	A	20020926	AU 200227461	A	20020319	200302
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EP 1412811	A2	20040428	EP 2002719294	A	20020319	200429
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Abstract (Basic): WO 200275441 A2

NOVELTY - A display device contains a composition (15), visible between anodic and cathodic electrodes (13, 14), comprising:

(a) a compound that undergoes a reversible electron transfer reaction, preferably at the electrode surface, with a subsequent **change** in its protic state resulting in a pH gradient in the device;

(b) indicator dye(s); and

(c) a charge transport material

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

(1) A composition comprising a compound that undergoes an electron transfer reaction with subsequent **change** in its protic state, indicator dye(s) **changing** color when a **change** in pH occurs, an ionically conductive material and optionally a matrix material when the ionically conductive material is a **fluid** ;

(2) An article comprising a film further comprising the composition

on a substrate; and

(3) A method for assembling an electrochromic display device by providing an electrochromic ink, dissolving a secondary competitive binder in the ink, adding and mixing a gel-forming polymer, screen printing or stencil printing the mixture onto a substrate and heating the printed mixture to cause the mixture to gel.

USE - The display device may be used in e.g. greeting cards, direct mail, **free** -standing inserts, coupons, bookmarks, postcards, movie/event tickets, e-books, e-newspapers, e-magazines, e-catalogs, e-directories, e-forms, maps, menus, workbooks, educational pieces, stored value/smart cards (e.g. credit cards, debit cards, loyalty cards, health cards, phone cards, transit cards), travelers checks, passports, visas, radio frequency identification (RFID) tags, cellular phones, pagers, games, toys, watches, calculators, point-of-purchase displays, billboards, transit advertising, floor graphics, hanging banners, vehicle graphics, **shopping cart** displays, shelf-edge labels, packaged goods **applications**, **shopping bags**, display embedded into articles of clothing, display embedded into upholstery, disposable/low- **cost** camera, eye chart, **changeable** wallpaper, novelty products, industrial process equipment, gas pump, road construction sign, information display on exterior of automobile or mail delivery notices on mailboxes.

ADVANTAGE - The display device of the invention possesses ease of manufacture, relatively low power (voltage) requirements, ease of attaining multi-color and different color systems without significant redesign, relatively fast response times and/or relatively long lifetime.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The **figure** shows a cross-section of a display device of the invention.

Electrodes (13, 14)

Composition (15)

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Title Terms: DISPLAY; DEVICE; COMPOSITION; VISIBLE; ANODE; CATHODE;

ELECTRODE; COMPRISE; COMPOUND; ELECTRON; TRANSFER; REACT; INDICATE; DYE; CHARGE; TRANSPORT; MATERIAL

Derwent Class: A18; A25; A89; E19; E24; L03; P81; U11; U14

International Patent Class (Main): G02F-001/15; H01L-035/24

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File Segment: CPI; EPI; EngPI

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XPX Acc No: N01-446796

Mobile point-of-sale terminal has computer, scanner and printer mounted on trolley, can be detached from trolley for separate hand-held operation

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Inventor: KEOHANE K M

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Patent Family:

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GB 2358727	A	20010801	GB 200025854	A	20001023	200168 B
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GB 2358727	A		7	G07G-001/00	
GB 2358727	B			G07G-001/00	

Abstract (Basic): GB 2358727 A

NOVELTY - A computer (11), a scanner (12), and a printer (13) mounted on trolley (10) are powered from their own battery packs. The computer, the scanner and the printer can be **detached** from the trolley for **separate** hand-held operation. The trolley contains basket shelf (15) for holding loaded **shopping basket** and carrier bag dispenser (17).

USE - **Mobile** point-of-sale (POS) terminal used inside or outside the store.

ADVANTAGE - Provides low **cost**, **flexible** novel **mobile** POS terminal for replacing low usage checkout, or use as an additional checkout for periods of high activity. **Reduces** selling space, as POS terminal is of small size. Provides increased customer service by increasing the speed of checkout. As the computer and scanner mounted in POS terminal can be used for other in-store tasks such as **price** verification, stock checking, incident reporting and consultative selling, **flexibility** of the terminal is increased.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The **figure** shows the **mobile** point-of-sale terminal.

Trolley (10)

Computer (11)

Scanner (12)

Printer (13)

Basket shelf (15)

Carrier bag dispenser (17)

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Title Terms: **MOBILE**; POINT; SALE; TERMINAL; COMPUTER; SCAN; PRINT; MOUNT; TROLLEY; CAN; **DETACH**; TROLLEY; **SEPARATE**; HAND; HELD; OPERATE

Derwent Class: Q22; T05

International Patent Class (Main): G07G-001/00

International Patent Class (Additional): B62B-003/14

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S18	3	S16 AND S17
S19	3	RD (unique items)
S20	351	S2 AND (S4 OR S5)
S21	13	S20 AND S16
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S23	5	S22 AND S13

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Abstract: By using the ratings from merchant- **comparison** engines and incorporating personal preferences of online customers, we design a knowledge-based interface. Such a system can individualize more appropriately to specific customers' preferences and thus optimize the selection of e-retailers for a **price - comparison shopping agent** to look for bargains. This **interactive** intelligent interface can potentially lead to a hybrid agent technology that can effectively **free** online customers from information overload and make **e - commerce** transactions more efficient and meaningful. (51 Refs)
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With the emergence of the Internet, **e - commerce** has become an attractive means of conducting business. **Mobile** agents consist of code and data that can move from one computer to another over the Internet, and **offer** a suitable paradigm for implementing **e - commerce** processes online. In this dissertation research, we describe a Java **mobile agent** based system that we have developed, called MAGNET (**Mobile Agents** for

Networked Electronic Trading), for **comparison** shopping over the Internet. In MAGNET, an online buyer creates a **shopping agent** that visits different seller sites on the Internet and returns with the best **offer** that it can find. MAGNET can also be used by online sellers to deploy sales agents that proactively approach buyers to sell their items. For MAGNET we have developed algorithms that improve the sellers' profits by **dynamically adjusting the price** of the items being sold. These algorithms increase an online seller's profits by 16–20% as **compared** to earlier **dynamic pricing** algorithms. Finally, we present protocols that we have developed for the security and reliability of the agents and agent-servers in MAGNET.

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Relaunch for web package

NEW ZEALAND: EXO-NET TO REINTRODUCE SOFTWARE

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In the last week of October 2000, exo-net will be launching its newly packaged easyshop Internet storefront software under the label LavaStream in New Zealand. Priced at NZ\$ 13,000, the LavaStream package **offers** small enterprises a program with certain integrated ERP (enterprise resource planning) features. The package also contains domain name registration and Internet **shop software** . In addition, either Iprolink or Asia Online will be providing web hosting for three months. The two firms are providers of business Internet services. LavaStream allows users to make **changes** to their websites without connecting to the Internet. The **changes** will be uploaded **automatically** by the hosting Internet service provider (ISP). According to Steve Rieger, the general manager of exo-net, a 20-staff powered business will have to pay NZ\$ 2,000 per head to obtain five licences for the new software. On top of that, the whole package will **cost** between NZ\$ 23,000 and NZ\$ 28,000 for data translation and extra web

design work. Separately , by 25 December 2000, exo-net plans to launch branches in Britain and Malaysia. Exo-net is an e - commerce firm.

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EVENT: Product Design & Development (33); Planning & Information (22);

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Inexpensive set-top boxes unleash Internet Tv

JAPAN: SET-TOP BOXES PROMOTE USE OF INTERNET TV

The Japan Times (XAO) 10 Sep 1998 P.8

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According to the government, around 99% of households in Japan have colour TVs and 93% have telephones in Japan. Since the iBOX was released in 1996 by Japan Computer Corp, other set-top boxes had also been introduced in Japan. It is believed that the set-top boxes that enable Internet access will be installed into the TV so that no TV will be sold without its own built-in Internet capability. TV stations will also adjust their programs to allow access to Internet pages and text information can be readable using the TV's internal modem. Viewers will then be able to interact with TV programs using their remote controllers. This will enable viewers to respond immediately to advertisements and telephone shopping programs will be connected to online shopping sites. The iBOX is the first set-top box launched in Japan. There are different versions of the iBOX, including the Super iBOX Home for ISDN connections, iBOX-1 for general family use and the iBOX-1c for use with cable modems and dial-up routers and the Super iBOXc compatible with a keyboard and mouse. Web TV Networks began its Web TV service with Sony Corp that sold the set-top box. Web TV offers its own informative content, including seasonal information and it is the only set-top box that can perform all 4 main Internet services, inclusive of Net surfing, e-mail, news group reading and online chat. MULCO from NEC Home Electronics has a detachable digital camera that allows both vocal and visual information to be transmitted. It focuses on communication functions rather than Net surfing and thus it has the least options for displaying World Wide Web pages. However it is also the only device that can save e-mail messages for future use. NCTV is the first set-top box to connect Internet data closely with TV broadcasts. User can check Internet information using a big portion of the display while a TV program is playing in one small part of the display.

COMPANY: NEC HOME ELECTRONICS; SONY; WEB TV NETWORKS; ISDN; INTERNET;
JAPAN COMPUTER

PRODUCT: Computers & Auxiliary Equip (3573); Communications Equip ex Tel (3662); Television Equipment (3651TV); Consumer Electronics (3650); Database Vendors (7375);

EVENT: Market & Industry News (60);

COUNTRY: Japan (9JPN);

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S13	278075	S5 AND S6 AND S7
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ELECTRONIC COMMERCE SUPPORTING METHOD, ARTICLE BUYING METHOD,
ELECTRONIC COMMERCE SUPPORTING INFORMATION PROCESSOR, INFORMATION
COMMUNICATION TERMINAL, AND PROGRAM

PUB. NO.: 2003-016349 [JP 2003016349 A]
PUBLISHED: January 17, 2003 (20030117)
INVENTOR(s): KOMON YUKA
APPLICANT(s): J-PHONE EAST CO LTD
APPL. NO.: 2001-204233 [JP 2001204233]
FILED: July 05, 2001 (20010705)
INTL CLASS: G06F-017/60

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To enable a user to horizontally and easily browse individual's purchase candidate article information of article purchase media by using a **portable** telephone set irrelevantly to whether articles are actually purchased even when a plurality of **portable** telephone sets are used for **electronic commerce**.

SOLUTION: The user of the **portable** telephone set 60 registers the purchase candidate article information that the user 10 of the **portable** telephone set 60 selects and obtains from article purchase media such as a magazine, a catalog, a store, a **virtual** store on a network, and a broadcast **program** of television **shopping** in an **electronic commerce** support system 51 in order while relating it to user information, lists and displays the registered purchase candidate article information on the **portable** telephone set 60 by making a conditioned browsing request through the **portable** telephone set 60 of the user 10, and selects a purchase article from the list-displayed purchase candidate article information, so that the article is purchased according settlement information of the user 10.

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XPX Acc No: N03-485035

Combined auction and fixed price checkout system e.g. for online electronic commerce, comprises a user interface to facilitate a type of process to purchase an offering

Patent Assignee: EBAY INC (EBAY-N)

Inventor: GROVE S

Number of Countries: 102 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
WO 200365151	A2	20030807	WO 2003US2209	A	20030124	200357 B
AU 2003207676	A1	20030902	AU 2003207676	A	20030124	200422

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 200260524 A 20020129

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

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AU 2003207676 A1 G06F-000/00 Based on patent WO 200365151

Abstract (Basic): WO 200365151 A2

NOVELTY - The method facilitates different types of transaction processes to be carried out using user interface to allow a purchaser to purchase different offerings using different price setting processes. Enables the purchaser to complete a transaction for different offerings. Utilizes a virtual shopping cart to maintain a record representing the offerings while the transaction is being completed.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIM included for the following:

- (a) machine-readable storage medium;
- (b) system

USE - For online electronic commerce .

ADVANTAGE - Facilitates electronic commerce . Allows multiple price-setting process within an electronic commerce environment.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The flowchart illustrates an exemplary method for purchasing both fixed price and auction offerings online.
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Title Terms: COMBINATION; AUCTION; FIX; PRICE; CHECKOUT; SYSTEM; ELECTRONIC
; COMPRISE; USER; INTERFACE; FACILITATE; TYPE; PROCESS; PURCHASE; OFFER

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-000/00

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2003-198711/200319

XRFX Acc No: N03-157933

E - commerce information presentation method in virtual shopping mall, involves presenting visual images or sound clips relevant and coordinated to shopper's position within cybermall

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: GUSLER C P; HAMILTON R A

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001843065 A 20010426

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 20020158916 A1 14 G09G-005/00

Abstract (Basic): US 20020158916 A1

NOVELTY - A set of cybermall data objects comprising a graphical map of a virtual shopping mall is stored. A shopper is assigned an initial position having a set of coordinates within the shopping mall. Visual images or sound clips relevant and coordinated to shopper's position within the cybermall, are presented.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

(1) Computer readable medium storing e - commerce information presentation program; and

(2) Geographically centered shopping mall browser .

USE - In e - commerce applications for presenting information

regarding products, suppliers and offerers, in virtual shopping mall to users of mobile device such as PDA, web enabled wireless telephone, handheld PC or other internet appliances.

ADVANTAGE - Through presentations of images and sounds relevant and coordinated to a shopper's position within the cybermall, a shopper can view images and hear sounds simulating a real shopping mall experience.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows an enhanced view of on-line mall front page.

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Title Terms: INFORMATION; PRESENT; METHOD; VIRTUAL ; SHOPPING; MALL;
PRESENT; VISUAL; IMAGE; SOUND; CLIP; RELEVANT; COORDINATE; POSITION
Derwent Class: P85; T01; T04; T05; W01
International Patent Class (Main): G09G-005/00
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/60
File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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Electronic commerce method and system using communication networks

Patent Assignee: PLATSYS INC (PLAT-N)

Inventor: HONG G B

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
KR 2002021565	A	20020321	KR 200054340	A	20000915	200265 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): KR 200054340 A 20000915

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
KR 2002021565	A	1	G06F-017/60	

Abstract (Basic): KR 2002021565 A

NOVELTY - An electronic commerce method and system is provided using a virtual shopping cart that consists of application program, a personal mobile terminal with wireless LAN and data storing support, and bar code scanner.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A service provider gets user information and product information and stores selling area(41) information and application program in database(11). A user connects a web site that is provided by the service provider using web client system(20). A service system(10) stores user authentication that is sent from a user. A user uses electronic mobile shopping cart (200), a wireless LAN supported mobile phone, PDA and so on to purchase a product. When a user finishes purchasing products in the selling area, pay the total amount of price of products by pushing the settlement key out of electronic mobile shopping cart. The paying method is sent from the service system to the electronic mobile shopping cart through wireless communication network without contact of shopping area server. The all steps of purchasing is finished when the user confirms products' condition and the amount of products that are delivered by distribution company or directly from the shopping area.

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Title Terms: ELECTRONIC; METHOD; SYSTEM; COMMUNICATE; NETWORK
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60
File Segment: EPI

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SUPPORTING SHOPPING BY LOCAL MONEY, PROGRAM AND
RECORDING MEDIUM

PUB. NO.: 2002-288495 [JP 2002288495 A]
PUBLISHED: October 04, 2002 (20021004)
INVENTOR(s): MATSUMURA SADA O
APPLICANT(s): RICOH CO LTD
APPL. NO.: 2001-092821 [JP 200192821]
FILED: March 28, 2001 (20010328)
INTL CLASS: G06F-017/60

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To permit a visitor from a foreign county to surely grasp the balance of local money by using information supplied through a network and to rationally perform shopping from the shopping list of high priority in accordance with the local money balance in hand.

SOLUTION: An application realizing the system is kept in a Web site server 1 and it can be accessed by a mobile terminal 2 which the visitor from the foreign county carries through the Internet 6. The mobile terminal 2 of the visitor calculates the balance by local money only by inputting the number of the local moneys in hand. A display language can be selected from a plurality of languages. The visitor generates the commodity list of shopping candidates by giving priority. The application calculates a shopping possible amount based on balance information and payment schedule information which is separately inputted and generates and displays a shopping performing list for shopping in accordance with the priority of the shopping list. Thus, the visitor can rationally use the balance of the local money.

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2002-224632; 2002-434444; 2003-138676; 2003-199061; 2003-341086;
2003-418501

XRPX Acc No: N03-237601

Information system for retail store, generates product information based on customer request, and displays them along with their related query in hypertext markup language format

Patent Assignee: CANDA G (CAND-I); O'HAGAN T P (OHAG-I); TRAXLER J E (TRAX-I)

Inventor: CANDA G; O'HAGAN T P; TRAXLER J E

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

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			US 96770690	A	19961219	
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			US 2001861836	A	20010521	
			US 2002189665	A	20020703	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97921235 A 19970829; US 96668343 A

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Abstract (Basic): US 20020178091 A1

NOVELTY - A **portable** terminal **detachedly** attached to a **shopping cart**, receives product information from a **host** computer (12) based on input customer request. A processor provided in the **portable** terminal, generates query related to received product information and display them along with product information in hypertext markup language (HTML) format.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for method for employing information system.

USE - For retail shop and grocery store.

ADVANTAGE - Avoids the need to go back and forth through the store, by the display of the product information and query, hence makes shopping easier, faster and more enjoyable for customers while providing the **manufacturers** with a better way to market their products and provide product information to customers.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flow diagram illustrating the consumer home terminal operations.

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Title Terms: INFORMATION; SYSTEM; RETAIL; STORAGE; GENERATE; PRODUCT; INFORMATION; BASED; CUSTOMER; REQUEST; DISPLAY; RELATED; QUERY; LANGUAGE; FORMAT

Derwent Class: T01; T05

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI

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Inventor: GUSLER C P; HAMILTON R A

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Abstract (Basic): US 20020158916 A1

NOVELTY - A set of cybermall data objects comprising a graphical map of a **virtual shopping mall** is stored. A shopper is assigned an

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

(1) Computer readable medium storing e-commerce information presentation program; and

(2) Geographically centered **shopping mall browser**.

USE - In e-commerce applications for presenting information regarding products, **suppliers** and offerers, in **virtual shopping mall** to users of **mobile** device such as PDA, web enabled wireless telephone, handheld PC or other internet appliances.

ADVANTAGE - Through presentations of images and sounds relevant and coordinated to a shopper's position within the cybermall, a shopper can view images and hear sounds simulating a real shopping mall experience.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows an enhanced view of on-line mall front page.

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Title Terms: INFORMATION; PRESENT; METHOD; **VIRTUAL** ; SHOPPING; MALL;
PRESENT; VISUAL; IMAGE; SOUND; CLIP; RELEVANT; COORDINATE; POSITION
Derwent Class: P85; T01; T04; T05; W01
International Patent Class (Main): G09G-005/00
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/60
File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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Electronic commerce method and system using communication networks

Patent Assignee: PLATSYS INC (PLAT-N)

Inventor: HONG G B

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Patent Details:

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Abstract (Basic): KR 2002021565 A

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Title Terms: ELECTRONIC; METHOD; SYSTEM; COMMUNICATE; NETWORK
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60
File Segment: EPI

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XRPX Acc No: N00-393115

Child seatbelt assembly for securing an infant to e.g. shopping cart
has strap retainers that include flexible strap and that are individually
provided to ends of nylon web portions

Patent Assignee: SAFE-STRAP CO INC (SAFE-N)
Inventor: GIAMPAVOLO P F; PONTAOE J S
Number of Countries: 095 Number of Patents: 004
Patent Family:

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NOVELTY - Strap retainers (16,16') that include a flexible strap (36) are individually provided to the ends (17,32) of nylon web portions (12,14). Each retainer is movable between open or unengaged positions and engaged or closed positions to release and fix the seatbelt assembly from or to the shopping cart, respectively. The retainer is engaged with detent channels when assuming a closed state.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The detent channels are formed to the outer side of the post piece (18) of each nylon web end.

USE - For securing an infant to e.g. shopping cart.

ADVANTAGE - Attachable at secured manner to grocery cart such that web of the child seatbelt does not rub against metal components. Need not require separate or loose portions for installation. Exposes a minimum of locking components and or crevices in the installed position. Resistant to tampering. Can be installed on-site without using tools.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a plan view of the child seatbelt assembly.

Nylon web portions (12,14)

Strap retainers (16,16')

Ends (17,32)

Flexible strap (36)

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Title Terms: CHILD; ASSEMBLE; SECURE; INFANT; SHOPPING; CART; STRAP; RETAIN
; FLEXIBLE; STRAP; INDIVIDUAL; END; NYLON; WEB; PORTION

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S2	3239	SHOPBOT? ? OR ELECTRONIC() CATALOG OR (SHOP OR SHOPPING OR - BUY OR BUYING) (2N) (CART? ? OR BASKET? ? OR AGENT? ? OR SPIDER? ? OR TOOL OR UTILITY OR BROWSER? ? OR PROGRAM? ? OR SCRIPT? ? OR APPLICATION? ? OR SOFTWARE? ?)
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S4	1214025	MOBILE OR PORTABLE OR MOVABLE OR PORTATIVE OR TRANSPORTABLE OR TAKE(1W) WITH OR FLUID OR FREE OR LIQUID OR CARRIED OR MIGRANT OR MIGRATORY
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S6	1860315	UPDAT??? OR CHANG??? OR COMPAR??? OR COMPARISON OR ADJUSTMENT OR ADJUST??? OR ALTER??? OR CONVERT??? OR MODIF???? OR REDUC??? OR REFRESH OR RENEWED OR REPLACE
S7	1312374	PRICE OR PRICES OR PRICING OR COST OR COSTS OR AMOUNT? ? OR TOTAL? ? OR OFFER? ? OR BID? ? OR DEAL OR FIGURE OR SUM
S8	401023	HOST? ? OR MERCHANT? OR SELLER? OR RETAILER? OR MANUFACTURER? OR TRADER? OR SUPPLIER? OR VENDOR? OR DEALER? OR SITE? ? - OR WEBSITE? ? OR WEB() SITE? ? OR WEBPAGE? ? OR WEB() PAGE? ?
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NEGOTIATING PLATFORM

PLATE-FORME DE NEGOCIATION

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Claims

Claim

... of each of said corresponding values,, therewith to provide an average
solution. Preferably, said goal **Program** objective functions are:
armmaged)evelwise and said average case calculator is operable to carry
out...for supporting negotiation between parties to achieve an outcome,
the

platform comprising:

a party goal **program** unit comprising a party

input unit operable to pennit a

party to define a two...

...supporting negotiation between parties to achieve an outcome, th, e

platform comprising:

a party goal **program** unit comprising a party input unit for allowing a
party to define at least one...goal

program levelwise, and
28
a worst case calculator for finding worst solutions for goal **programs** ,
connected to find worst values for said objective functions and
constraints of said
opponent's...parties.
The platform further comprises a response receiver 20 for receiving from
respective parties either **counter offers** or acceptances. The response
receiver uses the **counter offers** as new input to the negotiator to
arrive at a new offer. It will be...a@
Opponent then may prove
the offer or reject the offer or make a **counter offer** . Either way,
the opponent's input is accepted as feedback which is sent to an...
...that has been improved from the local party's point of view in an
opponent's **counter offer** . Improvement by the opponent suggests that
the opponent believes he is paying a price and...
...is to find a value that the opponent has not budged on in his last
counter offer . Failure to budge may indicate that the value is
important, and if the local party...items in the catalog that actually
correspond to these offers. In each iteration, before sending his **counter**
- **offer** , the seller finds the item in the catalog whose GP value is the
closest to...negotiable while price and warranty period are negotiable.
The seller first tries to generate a **counter offer** by operating an
appropriate utility ("knowledgeable" when he knows the buyer's GP and
"ignorant"...the number, this implies that you want to accept and hence do
not specify a **counter offer** .
(B2)
Fill in the percentage decrease in each round (see different possible
rules below),
(133...as not good enough which may lead to a tough, i.e. low percentage
improvement, **counter offer** by Bob, which may then trigger a tough
response by the other party and so...232
criteria for either accepting an offer or for stopping the exchange of
offers and **counter offers** . In case of stopping we have the option
of considering the negotiations as fiddled or, alternatively...
...at this point in the negotiation.
4 Optimal objective - the current objective value (according to
counter offer) and the optimal objective are almost equal.
5 Additional application specific rules.
Stopping rules:
1...
...are possible,
234
Profiles in depth
A profile is composed of the following components:
I . **Counter offers** generation table(s), The rows of the table
correspond to -the percentage improvement by the...
...decrease, the delay in producing an
offer as compared to the time it took the **counter offer** to reach
me. Values smaller than one indicate reduction in delay time
(i.e., one...that we do not specify any delay or quitting probabilities
here, This means we produce **counter offers** as soon as possible and we
do not impose a "termination limit". Also observe that...acceptance
rules. The five basic profiles identified are the indifferent, the
eager and the tough.
Counter offer generator table:
Indifferent - the percentages are the same for all rounds,
Eager - the percentage increase...

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A METHOD FOR EXECUTING A NETWORK-BASED CREDIT APPLICATION PROCESS
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Detailed Description

... application developers. This ensures that the architecture is
thoroughly tested before being used by the Application teams. The model
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components through the systems...

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METHOD FOR AFFORDING A MARKET SPACE INTERFACE BETWEEN A PLURALITY OF
MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS AND INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT VIA A
MARKET SPACE INTERFACE

PROCEDE DE MISE A DISPOSITION D'UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHÉ ENTRE UNE
PLURALITE DE FABRICANTS ET DES FOURNISSEURS DE SERVICES ET GESTION
D'UNE INSTALLATION VIA UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHÉ

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TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZW

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ORDERING SAMPLE QUANTITIES OVER A NETWORK

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE POUR COMMANDER DES QUANTITES D'ECHANTILLONS SUR UN
RESEAU

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YU ZA ZW

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Claim

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Fig. 2b (Prior Art)

mail 24

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30a

Pay by Stores Shopping

@ M] Cart

xcreditcard 26

ED 28a,

30 ycreditcard

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10

10

08c 08b 08a

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rig...both parties.

550

Previous offer recorded in 555

transaction history. Seller submits Transaction is closed

counter - offer ; offer is reposted to and all data written to
the secure area, and both parties...

...user access through

Documentation.

No

Previous offer recorded in transaction 565

history. Buyer submits counter - offer ;

offer is reposted to the secure area, and

both parties are notified via email.

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A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONDUCTING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS OVER A COMPUTER
NETWORK

SYSTEME ET PROCEDURE DE CONDUITE DE TRANSACTIONS DE VALEURS SUR UN RESEAU
INFORMATIQUE

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UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW

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Claims

Claim

... IN MESSAGE

APPLICATION POPULATES 2185 WINDOW

MASTER TRADE SCREEN

AND TRADE TICKET

WITH STOCK INFO APPLICATION SHOWS BUY

ORDER IN OPEN POSITIONS

WINDOW HIGHLIGHTED

USER FILLS IN 2140 IN YELLOW

REMAINING INFO

IN...SCREEN IN HIGHLIGHT

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CONTRA PARTY REVIEWS

OFFER AND EITHER

ACCEPTS, REJECTS

OR MAKES A

COUNTER OFFER

FIG*25

SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE 26)

FIG*26

SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE26)

USER WANTS TO VIEW...L" USER SELECTS

FUNCTION FROM OPERATION FROM POSITIONS 3545

FUNCTION BAR AND P&L WINDOW

(BUY OR, SELL)

APPLICATION DISPLAYS

ENTIRE LIST OF POSITIONS 3520

AND P&L AND RELATED APPLICATION

DETAILS IN WINDOW...1,000 SHARES AT 50.25 FIG*48A

SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE 26)

IF BUYER'S COUNTEROFFER IS DETERMINED BY THE APPLICATION TO BE

ACCEPTABLE, THE APPLICATION TRANSMITS THE BUYER'S COUNTEROFFER TO THE

REPLICA SERVER, ALONG WITH THE SYSTEM ID OF SELLER'S OFFER AND

BROKER/DEALER ACCOUNT ID AND INFO. FOR BUYER

t r 4888

REPLICA SERVER TRANSMITS COUNTEROFFER TO ROOT SERVER, WHICH UPDATES THE

IBM ORDER BACK IN THE MASTER DATABASE, AND ASSIGNS A SYSTEM ID TO BUYER'S

COUNTEROFFER

t r 4890

UPDATED DATABASE INFO., ALONG WITH BUYER'S COUNTEROFFER , IS TRANSMITTED

TO REPLICA SERVERS, AND SELLER'S REPLICA SERVER TRANSMITS BUYER'S

COUNTEROFFER TO SELLER'S APPLICATION, ALONG WITH THE SYSTEM IDs OF

SELLER'S OFFER AND BUYER'S COUNTEROFFER

SELLER SEES BUYER'S COUNTEROFFER DISPLAYED IN THE 892

NEGOTIATIONS SCREEN AND ACCEPTS BY CLICKING "ACCEPT"

r 4894

SELLER'S...

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COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

SYSTEME DE COMMUNICATIONS POUR LE COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... data described above is illustrated in the flow diagram of Figure 7.

TABLE

Javascript (TM) **shopping basket** source code
// Add the specified item into the array and the cookie
H
function add...

...code, p-qty, p

name, p
price, p
offer)
I
var exist 1;
var v- **basket** = get-Cookie(' **SHOPPING - BASKET** ');
0 var n-basket = Wt;
var v
property;
var v
product;
var v
qty;
var...

...qty;

if (exist==I)
n-basket += '##PDT##'+P-code+'##QTY##'+new
quantity;
I
set-cookie(' **SHOPPING - BASKET** ',n **basket** ,new Date(today.geffear(
((today.getMonth(+I == 12) ? 0 : (today.getMonth(+I)
((today.getDate(>= 28) ? 28 : today.getDate(
I
parent.body.rbottom.location='/ shop / shopping
basket .html';
function add tOm special offer(p
code, o code, disc, desc, pck)
var exist...

...0; counter<specialoffer.length; counter++)
if ((special-Offer[counter].product-code==P-@Code)
&& (special-Offer[counter]. offer -code==o code)) exist=1;
if (exist == 0)
special

```

offer[special-Offer.length] = new define...length;
return document.cookie.substring(offset, end);
5
H Just print a line of the shopping basket , fori-natting the data
H
function draw-basket-line(p
code, o
code, item, price...

```

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COMPUTER METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTERMEDIATED EXCHANGES OF COMMODITIES
PROCEDE INFORMATIQUE ET SYSTEME POUR ECHANGE DE BIENS MOBILIERES ET
MATERIELS A L'AIDE D'UN INTERMEDIAIRE

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... e-agent considers the current offer from the other e-agent and
 makes a corresponding **counter - offer** , After a certain number of
 rounds of this electronic negotiation, the offers and **counter**
offers typically converge so that the amounts of each commodity
 to be exchanged are acceptable to...

...In the

following steps, the e-agents receive further offers from the
 intermediary and return **counter - offers** to the intermediary,
 which it again crosses and allocates so as to generate ...includes the
 amount of the commodity that the
 intermediary has made available to the e- **agent** to **buy** or sell
 at a given stage of the electronic negotiation, A "counter
 15 offer" for...

...e-agent to the intermediary that includes the amount of the
 commodity that the e- **agent** intends to **buy** or sell at this stage
 of the electronic negotiation. An "opening" for a commodity is...

...to the

20 intermediary that includes the maximum amount of a commodity
 that the e- **agent** intends to **buy** or sell in a given negotiation.

Preferably, offers, counter-offers, and openings contain data

for...exchanged in the current exchange, that
is those commodities which have at least one e- agent interested
in buying and at least one other e-agent interested in selling,
The e-agents next transmit...

...bounds,

During the intermediated exchange,, allocation function 114
and e-agents 1 exchange offers and counter - offers according to
15 the preferred protocol for intermediated exchanges,
optionally, during an intermediated exchange, an e-agent can
transmit to the allocation function certain data reflecting the
process of its counter - offer generation, in order that its
participant can be assured of its proper functioning and
20...

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00452682

INTELLIGENT AGENT WITH NEGOTIATION CAPABILITY AND METHOD OF NEGOTIATION
THEREWITH

AGENT INTELLIGENT POSSEDANT DES CAPACITES DE NEGOCIATION ET PROCEDE DE
NEGOCIATION AU MOYEN DE CET AGENT INTELLIGENT

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determining whether to counteroffer block 136 of Fig. 5. If
agent 100 is a buying agent , block 170 is executed to
calculate a counteroffer probability value, Pcounter, which
is a number between 0 and 1 that represents the probability
that agent 100 will continue negotiations by making a
counteroffer . Pcounter divides a probability range of 0 to
1 into counteroffer and no counteroffer portions, such that
a random number selected in this probability range may fall
into either the portions to control whether a counteroffer
will be made.

Pcounter is calculated as a product of two
probability functions, Pcycles and...

Set	Items	Description
S1	396	(COMPETITIVE OR COUNTER) () (OFFER? ? OR BID???) OR COUNTEROFFER? ?
S2	3239	SHOPBOT? ? OR ELECTRONIC() CATALOG OR (SHOP OR SHOPPING OR - BUY OR BUYING) (2N) (CART? ? OR BASKET? ? OR AGENT? ? OR SPIDER? ? OR TOOL OR UTILITY OR BROWSER? ? OR PROGRAM? ? OR SCRIPT? ? OR APPLICATION? ? OR SOFTWARE? ?)
S3	1286903	VIRTUAL OR UNIVERSAL OR DETACH? OR SEPARAT? OR DISENGAG? OR DISCONNECT? OR SPLIT? OR UNCOUPL? OR BREAK() (OFF OR AWAY)
S4	1214025	MOBILE OR PORTABLE OR MOVABLE OR PORTATIVE OR TRANSPORTABLE OR TAKE(1W) WITH OR FLUID OR FREE OR LIQUID OR CARRIED OR MIGRANT OR MIGRATORY
S5	1370958	AUTOMAT? OR SELECTIVELY OR DYNAMIC? OR REAL() TIME OR REALTIME OR IMMEDIATE? OR INSTANT? OR INTERACTIV? OR ITERAT? OR MODIFIABL? OR ON(1W) FLY OR FLEXIB? OR ADAPTABL? OR ALTERABL? OR ALTERNAT? OR CHANGEABL? OR CONVERTIBL? OR ADJUSTABL?
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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS USING MULTI-PAYMENT
PREFERENCES

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE DE TRAITEMENT DE TRANSACTIONS FINANCIERES REPOSANT SUR
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Claim

... merchant's clerk and/or the POS

terminal to provide the discount. For example, the **Universal** Product
Code (UPC) for a product could be stored in the customer transceiver or
data...to a kiosk at a local store. For example, this kiosk may be on a
shopping cart. The customer may then have access to the shopping list
and further information on the **shopping cart** kiosk. [070] The
transponders utilized by the present invention may be inserted or built
into...

...transponder may also be integrated into devices such as a personal
digital assistant, watch, or **mobile**
phone, or covers for same. The transponder may also be integrated into
functional forms, such...

...transponder. For example, a
customer's profile associated with a transponder in the customer's
mobile phone may be different from the customer's profile associated
with a transponder in the...

...credit/debit card or a driver's license. Or the identification
information may be submitted **separately**. In a preferred embodiment, at
least one payment method is transmitted to the host computer...

...invention.

Transactions completed with the second transponder may be compiled and presented to the user **separate** from the transactions completed with the user's transponder. A different form of payment may...

...the rental car. In an further embodiment, the second transponder or the ignition key is **detachable** from the keyring. In this manner, when the user provides the ignition key to a...

...a receipt for the transaction. In an alternative embodiment, the customer is not given a **separate** key for a hotel room. Instead, the customer's transponder is associated with a hotel...

...For example, the food order may be placed through an internet website, a telephone call, **mobile** telephone call, or **mobile** telephone internet connection. Upon arriving at the restaurant, the customer parks his/her car in...

...may be offered a loyalty award from a merchant. This loyalty award may be a **free** or **reduced price** good or service. **Alternatively**, the - 45 loyalty award may be a credit or discount on a future transaction with ...

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**EXTENDED WEB ENABLED MULTI-FEATURED BUSINESS TO BUSINESS COMPUTER SYSTEM
FOR RENTAL VEHICLE SERVICES**
**SYSTEME INFORMATIQUE INTERENTREPRISES A ELEMENTS MULTIPLES A ACCES INTERNET
POUR SERVICES DE LOCATION DE VEHICULES**

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... Gpbr Number.

14. Summary Date.

15. Line #. Key a line number in this field to automatically roll screen to that line.

FEMW to return to the Cash Summary Menu.

Exit to...R--)

ARKSPR5 (-R--)

@Improvement Opportunity.

This program and AM203OV1 could be combined into a single program especially if the ARMS Trading Partner Profile database files are further normalized.

Process

Hierarchical numeric...

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NEGOTIATING PLATFORM

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Claim

... goal

program levelwise, and

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a worst case calculator for finding worst solutions for goal programs ,
connected to find worst values for said objective functions and
constraints of said
opponent's...For a better understanding of the invention and to show how
the same may be carried into effect, reference will now be made, purely
by way of example, to the
accompanying...

...in the drawings. The invention is applicable to other embodiments or of
being practiced or carried out in various ways, Also, it is to be
understood that the phraseology and terminology...

...particular outcome in quantitative form so that the party's position
regarding the outcome can be compared in automatic manner with that
of another party in order to ensure that the outcome takes on...
importance weightings. Typically, the assignment of levels and of
weightings to each objective function is carried out by means of a
dialog box based interaction with the party. Additionally, the pladbm...

...of the respective parties, and carries out negotiations using the goal
programs. Preferably, negotiations are carried out by considering the
objective functions per se and considering them levelwise, that is to...
functions associated with individual goals (i.e., objectives) and
associated constraints. The minimization is preferably carried out
level by level in the hierarchy, which is to say that first one level...
the same. It is therefore desirable to minimize the deviations, and
this minimization is carried out level by level, with weightings
being attached to the deviations at different levels so...the scope of
negotiations, although it is stressed that negotiations are not at this
stage carried out on the basis of individual catalog items but rather
on the basis of goal program objectives and values as before, with
matching to closest items carried out only later. As will be explained
in more detail in the examples section below...out parties less likely to
produce a good outcome. Such a screening stage is preferably carried
out when there a large number of parties for potential negotiation.
Reference is now made...wed to Tank the entries, -not in terms of a
single field as is generally carried out at present,, but rather on the
basis of the goal program as a whole...

...quantities, are expressed using a goal program. Sellers preferably have
price tables for item(s) indicating prices per quantity ranges.
Additionally or alternatively , sellers may have multi-item price
tables, such that a seller is composed of sub-sellers. A sub-seller

offers a...

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SOURCING, PURCHASING AND ANALYSIS ACROSS MULTIPLE
COMMERCIAL MARKETPLACE
SYSTEME ET PROCEDE DE SOURCAGE, D'ACHAT ET D'ANALYSE SUR DES MARCHES
COMMERCIAUX MULTIPLES

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... in the profile script. In effect, the system of the invention
functions as a virtual **shopping cart** which the user might either
affirmatively fill or which might fill itself depending on a user's
initial instructions. It should be further understood that the system's
virtual **shopping cart** functionality is not necessarily limited to
effecting purchase transactions with any one particular source site...

...from each of which a purchase is desired. In this particular instance,
the system's virtual **shopping cart** accesses the various sites, in
turn, makes the appropriate purchase transaction and goes on to...

...in order to make the next purchase. Thus, the system need only present a
single " **shopping cart** " to the user, in the context of the system
application, with the user filling the **shopping cart** with a variety
of products. The system then takes all of the multiplicity of steps...

...order to purchase all of the selected items on behalf of the user. When
in **automated** mode, the system significantly **reduces** the **amount** of
time that need be spent by a user traveling from site to site in...

...these transactions in background, in a fashion totally transparent to
the user, who is then **free** to continue with other tasks.

In like manner, the system includes an application which is...

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METHOD FOR AFFORDING A MARKET SPACE INTERFACE BETWEEN A PLURALITY OF
MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS AND INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT VIA A
MARKET SPACE INTERFACE

PROCEDE DE MISE A DISPOSITION D'UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHÉ ENTRE UNE
PLURALITE DE FABRICANTS ET DES FOURNISSEURS DE SERVICES ET GESTION
D'UNE INSTALLATION VIA UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHÉ

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... in an online shopping scenario; Figure 122 shows an exemplary security
architecture in an online shopping scenario; Figure 123 illustrates a
flowchart for a method for manipulating data about a customer...a
schematic diagram of one possible hardware implementation by which the
present invention may be carried out. As shown, the present invention
may be practiced in the context of a personal...

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A SYSTEM, METHOD FOR FIXED FORMAT STREAM COMMUNICATION IN A COMMUNICATION
SERVICES PATTERNS ENVIRONMENT

SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE POUR FLUX DE FORMAT FIXE DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT
A CONFIGURATIONS DE SERVICES DE COMMUNICATION

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Claim

... transfers packet and recipient receives
packet
residual error rate - number of lost or corrupted messages compared to
total messages
in the sampling period
transfer failure probability - the fraction of the time when the...FDM) -
each independent channel is
assigned its own frequency range, allowing all channels to be carried ,
simultaneously. Flow Control - The Media Access service manages the flow
of data to account for...functionality by monitoring, identifying and
validating environment integrity prior and during program execution.
(e.g., free disk space, monitor resolution, correct version). These
services are invoked when an application begins processing...scale
easily. Supports S-HTTP, Java, and SNMP.
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Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS)
A free add-on product for NT Server that implements basic HTTP
services. Future versions of NT...

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A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR BUSINESS LOGIC SERVICES
PATTERNS IN A NETCENTRIC ENVIRONMENT
SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE DE FABRICATION POUR STRUCTURES DE SERVICES DE
LOGIQUE DE COMMERCE DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT S'ARTICULANT AUTOUR DE
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Detailed Description

... handler;

Figure 162 illustrates the TiPersistenceStream and TiMapper of an embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 163 illustrates a flowchart for a method for organizing data access among a plurality of...logical requests for reducing network traffic in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 186 illustrates the manner in which the present invention sends requests independently; Figure 187 illustrates...scale easily.

Supports S-HTTP, Java, and SNMP.

Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS)

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A free add-on product for NT Server that implements basic HTTP services. Future versions of NT...

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A SYSTEM, METHOD, AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR PROVIDING COMMERCE-RELATED WEB APPLICATION SERVICES

SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE MANUFACTURE DESTINES A LA FOURNITURE DE SERVICES D'APPLICATION DANS LE WEB LIES AU COMMERCE

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... coding represents. Finally, in operation 66, the components and legend are displayed.

With reference to **Figure 1A**, operation 12 includes indicia coding in order to provide a diagnostic presentation of a...can be extremely helpful for evaluating system design. Usability labs, which can be stationery or **portable**, rely on videotape and screen capture methods to record how users interact with prototype systems...

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BUSINESS ALLIANCE IDENTIFICATION

SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE DE PRODUCTION POUR L'IDENTIFICATION D'ALLIANCES COMMERCIALES DANS UN CADRE D'ARCHITECTURE RESEAU

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Detailed Description

... 16A is an illustration of one embodiment of the present invention for facilitating a virtual **shopping** transaction by comparing different products and services; Figure 16B is an illustration of one embodiment...

...a flowchart illustrating the integration capabilities in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 33 is a flowchart illustrating the miscellaneous services in accordance with one embodiment of the...can be extremely helpful for evaluating system design. Usability labs, which can be stationery or **portable** , rely on 5 videotape and screen capture methods to record how users interact with prototype...

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SYSTEM, METHOD, AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR DISTRIBUTED GARBAGE
COLLECTION IN ENVIRONMENT SERVICES PATTERNS
SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE DE FABRICATION EN MATIERE DE RECUPERATION
D'ESPACE REPARTI DANS DES MOTIFS DE SERVICES D'ENVIRONNEMENT

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... information over a network. Currently, the largest computer network in
existence is the Internet. The **Internet** is a worldwide interconnection
of computer networks that communicate using a common protocol. Millions
of...

...the connection is closed in the above interaction, the server serves a
passive role, i. e. ., it accepts commands from the client and cannot
request the client to perform any action...the need for change.
Architectures provide a basic framework for major change initiatives.
Clients'core **business** is performed by strategic applications that will
most likely require frequent and rapid development to...upon, the use of
Netcentric concepts to produce significant reductions in software
packaging and distribution **costs** should be considered. Such concepts
include three- or multi-tier architectures with more business logic...
Definitions of Netcentric may vary. One is about reach and content.

Netcentric is not just **electronic commerce** ; it can impact enterprises
internally as well.

You can begin identifying Netcentric opportunities for clients...local
and wide area

networks as well as the Internet. Lotus Forms - Lotus Development
Corporations **electronic forms** software provides tools to design, route
and track

...of the major commercial component models are object-oriented. In

addition, all of the major vendors have adopted the "Unified Modeling Language" (UML) as a standard notation for describing object models... such as analysis and design approaches or notation. Still, a growing number of publications and vendor strategies attack the enterprise needs within on-line netcentric execution models. Real-world, client solutions...

...Specification has been documented in patterns and implemented in Visual Basic, Java, C++ and a host of execution environments within these language offerings. The power is in the reusable design patterns...

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A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR A LEGACY WRAPPER IN A COMMUNICATION SERVICES PATTERNS ENVIRONMENT
SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET DISPOSITIF POUR MODULE D'HABILLAGE EXISTANT DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT DE SCHEMAS DE SERVICES DE COMMUNICATION

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... center.

The following is an example of a circuit-switching/packet-forwarding gateway.

Lucent's Internet Telephony Server - server software that routes calls from PBXs over the Internet or intranets.

Transport...5 intelligible" address for all distributed reports. The address may be used by a print site operator, LAN administrator, or other personnel to manually sort printed output (if required). This criterion...

...it is possible that multiple copies of a report will be sent to the same
site -- to several different users, for example. In these cases, it is
highly
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desirable to...

...report architecture should support distribution of reports for printing
at centralized, remote, or local print sites without user or operations
personnel intervention.

19. Variable Printer Types: Printing on multiple types of...

...criterion requires that the report architecture support several print
mechanisms, such as postscript drivers and host /mainframe protocols
(for example, Advanced Function Printing [AFP]).

20. Variable Printer Destinations: The report architecture...previous
business
process;

Infrastructure integration from PC to mainframe

The ability to interface with the host -based hardware, system software,
and database management systems is critical. This is essential because
the workflow system is located between the client-based and host -based
processes, ie it can
initiate client-based as well as host -based applications;
LAN and -WAN connectivity

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Connectivity must include all sites for the supported processes,
enabling a large number and variety of users to use the...are processed
for long periods of elapsed time, and work often moves from one
processing site to another. As data and application logic are split,
better control is needed to track...

...integration issues exist?

It is important to determine how well the workflow system integrates with
host -based hardware, system software, database management systems, and
communication networks. Examples of items to consider...

...workflow efficiency; (6) existence/need for Business Processing
Re-engineering tools.

How stable is the vendor ?

One should consider the leadership and size characteristics of the
products vendor compared to the workflow software marketplace. Another
consideration is whether the vendor is a member of

How mature is the product?

One should consider the age, release...of the major commercial component
models are object-oriented. In addition, all of the major vendors have
adopted the "Unified Modeling Language" (UML) as a standard notation for
describing object models...

...such as analysis and design approaches or notation. Still, a growing
number of publications and vendor strategies attack the enterprise
needs within on-line netcentric execution models. Real-world, client
solutions...

...Specification has been documented in patterns and implemented in Visual
Basic, Java, C++ and a host of execution environments within these
language offerings. The power is in the reusable design patterns...

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SYSTEM, METHOD, AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE FOR AN EXCEPTION RESPONSE TABLE
IN ENVIRONMENT SERVICES PATTERNS

SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET ARTICLE DE PRODUCTION DESTINES A UNE TABLE DE REPONSE
D'EXCEPTION DANS DES CONFIGURATIONS DE SERVICES D'ENVIRONNEMENT

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... an image. Form Services provide support for.

Display - support the display of various data types (e.g., text,
numeric, date, etc.) in various formats (e.g., American/European date,
double-byte...humanly intelligible" address for all distributed reports.

The address may be used by a print site operator,

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LAN administrator, or other personnel to manually sort printed output (if
required). This...

...it is possible that multiple copies of a report will be sent to the same
site -- to several different users, for example. In these cases, it is
highly desirable to have...

...report architecture should support distribution of reports for printing
at centralized, remote, or local print sites without user or operations
personnel intervention.

19. Variable Printer Types: Printing on multiple types of...

...criterion requires that the report architecture support several print
mechanisms, such as postscript drivers and host /mainframe protocols
(for example, Advanced Function Printing [AFP]).

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. Variable Printer Destinations: The report architecture...business
process;

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Infrastructure integration from PC to mainframe

The ability to interface with the host -based hardware, system software,
and database management systems is critical. This is essential because
the workflow system is located between the client-based and host -based

processes, ie it can
initiate client-based as well as **host** -based applications;
LAN and WAN connectivity
Connectivity must include all **sites** for the supported processes,
enabling a large number and variety of users to use the...

...key to the efficiency of the workflow system is its capability to
integrate with office **automation** , imaging, electronic mail, and legacy
applications.

Role management

Role management ie provides for the assignment...integration issues
exist?

It is important to determine how well the workflow system integrates with
host -based hardware, system software, database management systems, and
communication networks. Examples of items to consider...

...workflow efficiency; (6) existence/need for Business Processing
Re-engineering tools.

How stable is the **vendor** ?

One should consider the leadership and size characteristics of the
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approaches or notation. Still, a growing number of publications and
vendor strategies attack the enterprise needs within on-line netcentric
execution models. Real-world, client solutions...

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INTEGRATED BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS WEB COMMERCE AND BUSINESS AUTOMATION SYSTEM
SYSTEME INTEGRE D'AUTOMATISATION DES ECHANGES COMMERCIAUX ENTRE ENTREPRISES
PAR L'INTERNET

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Claims

Claim

... supply can simply be fit into the existing mechanism. This ability allows massive, inexpensive, flexible e - commerce infrastructure across industries.
Linking the budgeting process and the performance evaluation (human resources, personnel) process...

...enforcement by department may be made automatic in the same manner that budget enforcement by vendor is automatic. The versatility of the program allows it to accommodate almost any desired system...a PSRI function and a Supply Chain Management function operate to communicate demand information to suppliers . For stock items, the PSRI function consolidates demand information from multiple parties and communicates the...

...the Supply Chain Management function "parcels out" appropriate demand information to each of Level I (manufacturer), Level 2 and Level 3 suppliers (or any number of levels of suppliers). The Level 3 supplier ships to either the Level 2 supplier or the Level I supplier . The Level 2 supplier ships to the Level I supplier . The Level I supplier manufactures the desired end items and ships to customers, making possible an integrated supply
143...automatically. In an exemplary embodiment, such automations perform PO/MWS Conversion, a PSRI process, a Vendor Product Pricing process, a Customer Pricing Update process, a Vendor Confirmation process, etc. A consolidated process cluster is coupled to the network block so as...

...to some or all of the following business processes: P/O conversion, PSRI, price/product, vendor invoice verification, G/L and accounting, sales tax/recurring process, reports for customers, and reports...

...machines are provided, each of which performs catalog processing for a respective one of multiple vendors , e.g., Vendor A, Vendor B, Vendor C, etc. Stored on each stand alone machine is a local copy of the catalog structure and data for that vendor . Each stand alone machine imports product information for a particular vendor and creates upload files. Updated and deleted products for each vendor are uploaded to an import client designated for importing products. The import client in turn...

...catalog.
The stand alone machines of Figure 173 may function in conjunction with ggautomatons," i. e ., business -task-specific PCs that run continuously, or nearly so, in the background to accomplish a...

...prepared by the stand alone machines, various automaton machines process the data. As shown in Figure 174, one automaton might perform price update and PO processing, another automaton might handle vendor invoice verification, another automaton might handle some additional process, etc. Each automaton is associated with...

...to a specific business function, e.g., G/L, financial statements, sales tax, purchase orders, vendor invoice verification, vendor payment, reports, etc. In this manner, business information is channeled in a highly structured manner...etc.). To automate such interaction using conventional software, two alternatives are presented. One is to buy multiple software packages for multiple respective domains

and operate those software packages at the same time...

...the two programs to paper over, to some degree, the fact that the programs are **separate** and distinct. In either case, without real-time synchronous communication between the software packages, data...database application serves as a webbusiness front-end solution to an existing back end. Customer/ **vendor** requests are input to the system, which acts as a front-end web business interface...

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SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR REPRESENTING PRIORITY INFORMATION
CONCERNING COMPONENTS OF A SYSTEM

SYSTEME, METHODE ET ARTICLE FABRIQUE PERMETTANT DE CLASSER PAR ORDRE DE
PRIORITE DES COMPOSANTS D'UNE STRUCTURE DE RESEAU NECESSAIRES A LA MISE
EN OEUVRE D'UNE TECHNIQUE

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... 16 is an illustration of one embodiment of the present invention for
facilitating a virtual **shopping** transaction;
Figure 16A is an illustration of one embodiment of the present invention
for facilitating...which are necessary to afford various activities over
the Internet.

Such components may include: an **electronic commerce** component,
a content channels component, an administrative component, a customer
relationship management component, a content management...

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L5 36819 S MOBILE OR PORTABLE OR MOVABLE OR PORTATIVE OR TRANSPORTABLE O
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Abstract: The new p2p networking paradigms offer new possibilities for content distribution over the Internet. We propose a model that treats peers as independent economic **agents** **buying** and selling content and investigate the basic economic properties of such a market managed p2p content distribution network. Initially, we assume that no peer has the content, and there is a substantial initial cost to bring it within the peer group. The bargaining position and hence the price that can be posted by an agent having the content depends on the cost to transport the content to the requesting peer, its value, and the number of other agents providing the same content. We discuss the influence of parameters such as the maximum number of the **competitive** **offers** allowed by the system, content popularity, its value to the agents, and the transport costs, taking into account the risk of the first agent incurring the initial content cost. (4 Refs)

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Descriptors: competitive intelligence; content management; costing; distributed processing; economics; Internet; market research; marketing data processing; software agents

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Abstract: Using the University of Florida Cogeneration Plant as an example, an IPP entering the deregulated market must incorporate several important items in its plant operation if it expects to sell unused electrical energy to an electric utility. First it must win the competitive bid. Florida Power ultimately built the University of Florida Cogeneration Plant, despite competition. Next it must be willing to bid its energy at below the as-available energy cost of the system when its contractual customer is not taking the energy. Without this, there is no economic incentive for the utility to buy its' energy. It must be reliable, having no significant impact on the utility's spinning reserve. In addition an IPP must provide for system regulation, both in power output and reactive power. Adverse impact on system operation is a recognized reason for refusing energy from IPPs and supported by the Florida Public Service Commission. The University of Florida Cogeneration Plant is a model for this type of operation. It has met all of these criteria successfully and continues in operation under a system where it must bid its power every hour. An IPP entering the competitive market can not expect preferential treatment, and must be able to meet and exceed this performance to successfully sell generation to the utility. (0 Refs)

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Descriptors: cogeneration; economics; electricity supply industry; power system control; power system reliability

Identifiers: IPP sales model; electric utilities; University of Florida; Cogeneration Plant; independent power producer; unused electrical energy sale; electric utility; competitive bid; energy bid; energy cost; reliability; system regulation; power output regulation; reactive power regulation

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Scholars within the Process school assume that cognitive and motivational aspects within the decision and integration processes may systematically effect the outcome of mergers and acquisitions. More specifically, it has been suggested that decision makers use heuristics for simplifying information processing which may introduce bias. The main aim of the present thesis is to add to the understanding of how offers and counteroffers, and information about a fair price affects the process and outcome of price negotiations in mergers and acquisitions.

The results from five prestudies and one case study showed that norms of fairness may influence takeover negotiations. The head negotiations emphasized that they did not try to buy (sell) to lowest (highest) possible price, but at a just price. However, it was not possible to disentangle if the parties had an interest in being "perfectly" fair, or if they had a more "egoistic" interpretation of fairness.

In order to further investigate whether or not fairness matters in corporate takeovers, simulation experiments were conducted with MBA students. By letting subjects rate their degree of satisfaction with the offered selling prices, it was possible to establish a "social utility function" which specifies the level of satisfaction with outcomes to oneself and others. The results clearly showed that buyers' social utility function was affected by information of a fair price. However, it seems like that they were more interested in that themselves were not being treated unfair (steeper decreasing social utility for buying at a price higher than a fair price) than treating others unfairly (flatter increasing social utility for buying at a price lower than a fair price). The behavioral predictions were tested in two additional simulated takeover negotiations. These results clearly showed that the negotiation process and outcome were affected by information about a fair price. More specifically, selling prices were lower when the subjects had received information about a low fair price, and higher when they had information about a high fair price. In addition, as if subjects anchored their counteroffer on the opponents initial offer and insufficiently adjusted from it, buyers first counteroffers were higher and sellers' first counteroffer lower when the opponent started the negotiation. Furthermore, was the negotiated outcome lower when the buyer started the negotiation.

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Abstract: A **universal** agent should be capable of gathering information from arbitrary heterogeneous sites and **offer** intelligent information services on its own based on information so gathered. We present a domain-dependent agent for information gathering. It can visit an arbitrary domain-related site by observing a user perform the first query. By understanding key concepts of the first query, the agent performs subsequent queries autonomously. When a user asks the agent about a particular item, the agent gathers relevant information from various sites. The major advantage of the agent is a semi- **automatic** creation of a wrapper around a particular site with few human interventions. We have implemented two versions of such information gathering **agents**: ShinA (**SHopping** Assistant) for e-trading tasks, and EMA (EMployment Agent), which performs employment and job related functions over the Internet. (43 Refs)

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Identifiers: domain-dependent information gathering agent; **universal** agent; intelligent information services; query; wrapper; ShinA; Shopping Assistant; e-trading tasks; EMA; Employment Agent; Internet; inductive learning; **comparison** shopping

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One of the goals of an information service network is to provide users with access to a multitude of highly distributed and constantly **changing**

information sources and services. Market **price** systems constitute one well-studied class of mechanisms for allocating resources among distributed decision makers. By implementing a **virtual** market system for computational agents, we can hope to realize some of the desirable properties of markets in the distributed computing context. Moreover, the underlying economic theory provides an analytical framework for predicting aggregate behavior and for designing individual agents.

This thesis identifies and explores some of the issues involved in designing computational market systems in the context of the University of Michigan Digital Library (UMDL). UMDL provides library services in a distributed environment, where information **agents** **buy** and **sell** information services. The explicit realization of this design is to provide a commerce infrastructure that supports the process of describing, locating, and negotiating for a wide variety of information services. One part of this infrastructure is the interaction framework: service description languages, and negotiation and exchange protocols. Another consists of various infrastructure services, which simplify and **automate** the use of many these languages and protocols. This thesis focuses on the design of negotiation protocols and the integration of negotiation mediators, or auctions.

Since the number of potential service offerings and negotiation options is unbounded, UMDL also requires some mechanism to manage the scope of markets actually available to agents. The Auction Manager infrastructure component provides commerce middleware services that simplify and **automate** both the creation of new markets and the matching of buyers and sellers to existing markets. Online services often allow agents to select various service options. By formally representing two selection operators (buyer and seller choice) and related inference rules, the Auction Manager can more **flexibly** match agents to markets and detect arbitrage opportunities. The Auction Manager also provides a vehicle to experiment with **alternative** auction creation policies. Two simple case studies evaluate the welfare effects of different market configurations and auction parameters, and provide a basis for future auction creation policies in the Auction Manager.

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7914179 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2004-05-7100-019

Title: **Negotiation modeling and e - shopping agents**

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Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Negotiation is a key component of **e - business**. Like business in the real world, negotiation often occurs between two parties or among parties. Considering how to settle on the terms of a transaction, negotiation varies in duration and complexity depending on the market. In general, people are directly engaged in a negotiation process with common knowledge, their experience, and certain learning or reasoning strategies. The human involved negotiations accrue transaction **costs** that may be too high for either consumers or **merchants**. Software agent technologies can be used to **automate several** of the most time-consuming stages and help human combat information overload and expedite specific stages of the business process. The agent-mediated **e - business** systems are creating new markets (low- **cost** consumer-to-consumer goods) and **beginning to reduce** transaction **cost** in variety of business processes. With a rational negotiation model, software agents should be able to negotiate in an intelligent way on behalf of the real-world parties they represent. However, one of the challenging problems here is negotiation modeling. How to precisely reflect human's negotiation process on **different** levels is a crucial point. This paper presents our studies on negotiation modeling and demonstrates the negotiation model based **e - shopping agents**. (17 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: **electronic commerce**; inference mechanisms; learning (artificial intelligence); negotiation support systems; software agents

Identifiers: negotiation modeling; **e - shopping agents**; **e - business**; transaction process; learning strategy; reasoning strategies; transaction **costs**; software agent; information overload; business processes; consumer-to-consumer goods

Class Codes: C7100 (Business and administration); C6170K (Knowledge engineering techniques); C7102 (Decision support systems); C1230R (Reasoning and inference in AI); C1230L (Learning in AI)

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7061851 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-11-1290D-080

Title: **Economics of dynamic pricing in a reputation brokered agent mediated marketplace**

Author(s): Zacharia, G.; Evgeniou, T.; Moukas, A.; Boufounos, P.; Maes, P.

Author Affiliation: Media Lab., MIT, Cambridge, MA, USA

Book Title: **E - commerce** agents. Marketplace solutions, security

issues, and supply and demand p.25-38

Editor(s): Liu, J.; Ye, Y.

Publisher: Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany

Publication Date: 2001 Country of Publication: Germany vi+346 pp.

ISBN: 3 540 41934 9 Material Identity Number: XB-2001-00043

Language: English Document Type: Book Chapter (BC)

Treatment: Theoretical (T)

Abstract: We present a framework to study the microeconomic effects in a reputation brokered agent mediated knowledge marketplace, where we introduce **dynamic pricing** algorithms. We study the market with computer simulations of multiagent interactions. In this marketplace, the **seller** reputations are **updated** in a collaborative fashion based on the performance of the user in the delegated tasks. To the best of our knowledge, this is the **first** agent mediated marketplace where the agents use **dynamic pricing** based on "**dynamically**" **updated** reputations. The framework can be used to investigate the **different** equilibria reached, based on the level of intelligence of the selling agents, the level of **price** -importance elasticity of the **buying agents**, and the level of unemployment in the marketplace. Preliminary experiments addressing these issues are presented. (10 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: economic cybernetics; **electronic commerce**; **multi-agent** systems; software agents

Identifiers: **dynamic pricing**; reputation brokered agent mediated marketplace; microeconomic effects; **dynamic pricing** algorithms; computer simulations; multiagent interactions; **seller** reputations; delegated tasks; **updated** reputations; equilibria; selling agents; **price** -importance elasticity; **buying agents**; unemployment; agent mediated **electronic commerce**; software agents

Class Codes: C1290D (Systems theory applications in economics and business); C7120 (Financial computing); C6170 (Expert systems and other AI software and techniques)

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6892805 INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-05-7120-050

Title: **Dynamic pricing in a reputation-brokered agent-mediated marketplace**

Author(s): Zacharia, G.; Evgeniou, T.; Maes, P.

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Treatment: Practical (P); Experimental (X)

Abstract: We describe an agent-mediated marketplace, with **dynamically changing** reputation ratings. In this marketplace, the **seller** reputations are **updated** in a collaborative fashion based on the performance of the user in the delegated tasks. We study the market with computer simulations of multiagent interactions, where **sellers** learn how to **price** their services **dynamically**. We **first** present some simple **dynamic pricing** methods and we investigate the **different** equilibria reached, based on the level of intelligence of the selling agents, the level of **price** -importance elasticity of the **buying agents**, and the level of unemployment in the marketplace. We then **compare** the equilibria reached with a theoretically 'optimal' equilibrium that we show to exist. Based on the results of this **comparison** we design a new **dynamic pricing** algorithm that we experimentally show to be almost optimal for

reputation-brokered agent-mediated marketplaces. (13 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: costing; **electronic commerce** ; learning (artificial intelligence); **multi** -agent systems

Identifiers: **dynamic pricing** ; reputation-brokered agent-mediated marketplace; **dynamically changing** reputation ratings; computer simulations; **multi** -agent interactions; selling agents; **buying agents** ; optimal equilibrium; experiment; **electronic commerce** ; learning

Class Codes: C7120 (Financial computing); C6170 (Expert systems and other AI software and techniques); C7180 (Retailing and distribution computing); C1230 (Artificial intelligence)

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Customer still doesn't come first

Kemp, Ted; Tillett, L Scott

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Geographic Location: United States

Emphasizes the necessity for online **merchants** to get their customer service operations right in the year 2000 Christmas holiday season. Cites the reasons why online shoppers do not complete Web transactions: shipping charges are too high, item is unavailable, navigating the **site** is too difficult, order did not go through, order form is too complicated, and user could not use coupon or discount. Presents ways that electronic **retailers** can improve the buying experience: **offer** a quick way to **compare** contents of **shopping carts** with other products; let shoppers know up front how much shipping will **cost** ; take two hours or less to respond to a query and use live chat for providing **instantaneous** responses; **offer** the ability to ship gifts to **multiple** addresses in one order; allow **more than one** method of payment for a single order; expedite credit card verification, even if it means using a third-party service. Includes a sidebar and two charts. (MEM)

Descriptors: Customer Support; **Electronic Commerce** ; Retailing; **Electronic Shopping** ; Sales; Purchasing

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Title: Domain-dependent information gathering agent

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Abstract: A **universal** agent should be capable of gathering information from arbitrary heterogeneous **sites** and offer intelligent information services on its own based on information so gathered. We present a domain-dependent agent for information gathering. It can visit an arbitrary domain-related **site** by observing a user perform the **first** query. By understanding key concepts of the **first** query, the agent performs subsequent queries autonomously. When a user asks the agent about a particular item, the agent gathers relevant information from various **sites**. The major advantage of the agent is a semi- **automatic** creation of a wrapper around a particular **site** with few human interventions. We have implemented two versions of such information gathering **agents**: ShinA (**SHopping** Assistant) for e-trading tasks, and EMA (Employment Agent), which performs employment and job related functions over the Internet. (43 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: **electronic commerce**; employment; information resources; information retrieval; Internet; learning by example; software agents

Identifiers: domain-dependent information gathering agent; **universal** agent; intelligent information services; query; wrapper; ShinA; Shopping Assistant; e-trading tasks; EMA; Employment Agent; Internet; inductive learning; **comparison shopping**

Class Codes: C7210N (Information networks); C6170 (Expert systems and other AI software and techniques); C7250R (Information retrieval techniques); C6150N (Distributed systems software); C7180 (Retailing and distribution computing)

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Mobile software agent enabled e - commerce : System design and profit maximizing algorithms

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With the emergence of the Internet, **e - commerce** has become an

attractive means of conducting business. Mobile agents consist of code and data that can move from one computer to another over the Internet, and offer a suitable paradigm for implementing e-commerce processes online. In this dissertation research, we describe a Java mobile agent based system that we have developed, called MAGNET (Mobile Agents for Networked Electronic Trading), for comparison shopping over the Internet. In MAGNET, an online buyer creates a shopping agent that visits different seller sites on the Internet and returns with the best offer that it can find. MAGNET can also be used by online sellers to deploy sales agents that proactively approach buyers to sell their items. For MAGNET we have developed algorithms that improve the sellers' profits by dynamically adjusting the price of the items being sold. These algorithms increase an online seller's profits by 16-20% as compared to earlier dynamic pricing algorithms. Finally, we present protocols that we have developed for the security and reliability of the agents and agent-servers in MAGNET.

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Web sites off the rack

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Presents a buyers' guide to template Web sites . Displays a table comparing six services from five providers on pages, styles, cost , domain name, and shopping cart add-on. Products reviewed are: IBM Web Starter Kits (\$499) from IBM Corp.; IBM HomePage Creator (\$24) from IBM Corp.; ImageCafe EasyStart (\$9) from Network Solutions; Microsoft Site Manager (\$19) from Microsoft Corp.; Bigstep (free) from Bigstep; WebNow Starter Package (free) from WebNow. Cites advantages of an instant presence on the Internet, point-and-click simplicity, and affordability. Mentions, however, that the gains may be offset by a loss of control, inability to customize, and lack of a strong image that differentiates companies from their competitors. Warns business owners against letting an inexpensive design drive their companies' site content or business strategy. Includes two tables and two screen displays. (MEM)

Descriptors: Template; Web Sites ; Web Tools; Web Page Authoring; Design; Electronic Shopping

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Inexpensive set-top boxes unleash Internet Tv

JAPAN: SET-TOP BOXES PROMOTE USE OF INTERNET TV

The Japan Times (XAO) 10 Sep 1998 P.8

Language: ENGLISH

According to the government, around 99% of households in Japan have colour TVs and 93% have telephones in Japan. Since the iBOX was released in 1996 by Japan Computer Corp, other set-top boxes had also been introduced in Japan. It is believed that the set-top boxes that enable Internet access will be installed into the TV so that no TV will be sold without its own built-in Internet capability. TV stations will also adjust their programs to allow access to Internet pages and text information can be readable using the TV's internal modem. Viewers will then be able to interact with TV programs using their remote controllers. This will enable viewers to

respond immediately to advertisements and telephone shopping programs will be connected to online shopping sites . The iBOX is the first set-top box launched in Japan. There are different versions of the iBOX, including the Super iBOX Home for ISDN connections, iBOX-1 for general family use and the iBOX-1c for use with cable modems and dial-up routers and the Super iBOXc compatible with a keyboard and mouse. Web TV Networks began its Web TV service with Sony Corp that sold the set-top box. Web TV offers its own informative content, including seasonal information and it is the only set-top box that can perform all 4 main Internet services, inclusive of Net surfing, e-mail, news group reading and online chat. MULCO from NEC Home Electronics has a detachable digital camera that allows both vocal and visual information to be transmitted. It focuses on communication functions rather than Net surfing and thus it has the least options for displaying World Wide Web pages . However it is also the only device that can save e-mail messages for future use. NCTV is the first set-top box to connect Internet data closely with TV broadcasts. User can check Internet information using a big portion of the display while a TV program is playing in one small part of the display.

COMPANY: NEC HOME ELECTRONICS; SONY; WEB TV NETWORKS; ISDN; INTERNET;
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